UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

WILLIAM CHILDS Plaintiff,) JURY TRIAL DEMANDED)	
v.) Case No.	RCV'D - USDC COLA S DEC 28'23 AN 11:40
ADVANCED CAPITAL SOLUTIONS,)	
INC.,)	
Defendant.)	
)	

COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

I. INTRODUCTION

1. This is an action for actual and statutory brought by Plaintiff William Childs (hereinafter "Plaintiff") an individual consumer, against Defendant, Advanced Capital Solutions, INC., (hereinafter referred to as Defendant) for violations of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C § 1692 et seq. (hereinafter "FDCPA"), which prohibits debt collectors from engaging in abusive, deceptive, and unfair practices.

II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

Jurisdiction of this court arises under 15 U.S.C § 1692k(d) 28 U.S.C
 1331. Venue in this District is proper in that the Defendant transacts

business in Columbia, Richland County, South Carolina, and the conduct complained of occurred in Columbia, Richland County, South Carolina.

III. PARTIES

- 3. Plaintiff is a natural person residing in Columbia, Richland County, South Carolina. Plaintiff is a consumer as defined by the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692a(3).
- 4. Defendant is a "debt collector" as defined by the FDCPA, 15 U.S.C § 1692a(6).
- 5. Upon information and belief, Defendant is an Ohio corporation with its principal place of business located at 555 Market Ave N, Canton, OH 44702. Defendant's registered agent for service of process is Corporate Creations Network Inc, 6650 Rivers Avenue, North Charleston, South Carolina 29406.
- 6. Defendant is engaged in the collection of debt from consumers using the mail and telephone. Defendant regularly attempt to collect consumers' debts alleged to be due to another's.

IV. FACTS OF THE COMPLAINT

- 7. Defendant is a "debt collector" as defined by the FDCPA, 15 U.S.C 1692a(6).
- 8. Defendant has been calling Plaintiff for a while (6 Months or more).

- 9. On or about February 25, 2023 11:45am, Plaintiff started receiving phone calls from Defendant attempting to collect on an alleged debt from Cash Net USA in the amount of \$1,947.49. Plaintiff missed the call but returned the call and informed the representative "The reason I missed your call is cause I'm at work" Defendant quickly responded and said "Are you able to discuss now that you called back"
- 10. On March 1, 2023 2:41pm Defendant called Plaintiff again while at work but Plaintiff missed the call and called Defendant back and Plaintiff stated "The reason I missed your phone call cause I'm at work" and "My boss won't allow me to take personal phone calls I had to step out real quick" Defendant also said on the phone call "we been calling for a while now." The phone call was in violation of 15 U.S.C 1692c(a)(1) and 15 U.S.C 1692c(a)(3).
- 11. Plaintiff has suffered actual damages as a result of these illegal collection communications by this Defendant in the form of anger, anxiety, decreased ability to focus on task while at work, frustration, amongst other negative emotions, as well as suffering from unjustified abusive invasions of personal privacy.

V. FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Defendant Advance Capital Solutions, INC.,) 15 U.S.C. §1692c(a)(1)

- 12. Plaintiff re-alleges and reincorporates all previous paragraphs as if fully set out herein.
- 13. The Debt Collector violated the FDCPA.
- 14. The Debt Collector's violations include, but are not limited to, the following:

The Debt Collector violated 15 U.S.C § 1692c(a)(1) of the FDCPA by intentionally communicating in connection with collection of a debt from Plaintiff at time and place known by Defendant to be inconvenient to Plaintiff.

VI. SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Defendant Advance Capital Solutions, INC.,) 15 U.S.C. §1692c(a)(3)

- 15. Plaintiff re-alleges and reincorporates all previous paragraphs as if fully set out herein.
- 16. The Debt Collector violated the FDCPA.
- 17. The Debt Collector's violations include, but are not limited to, the following:

The Debt Collector violated 15 U.S.C § 1692c(a)(3) of the FDCPA by intentionally communicating in connection with collection of a debt from Plaintiff at Plaintiffs employment after Defendant knew or had reason

to know that Plaintiffs employer prohibited Plaintiff from receiving such communications.

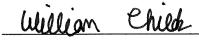
18. As a result of the above violations of the FDCPA, the Defendant are liable to the Plaintiff actual damages, statutory damages and cost.

VI. JURY DEMAND AND PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully demands a jury trial and requests that judgment be entered in favor of Plaintiff and against the Debt Collector for:

- A. Judgment for the violations occurred for violating the FDCPA;
- B. Actual damages pursuant to 15 U.S.C 1692k(1)(2);
- C. Statutory damages pursuant to 15 U.S.C 1692k(2);
- D. Cost pursuant to 15 U.S.C 1692k(3);
- E. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted:



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